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In re application of:

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For: UNIT FOR INDICATING LIGHTS AND  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits a legible copy of the following relevant art along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 7-282605 published in Japan on October 27, 1995;

B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-082846 published in Japan on March 21, 2000; and

B. U.S. Patent No. 5,952,915 issued to Marquardt et al. on September 14, 1999.

The above-listed prior art A and B are not in the English language, but the concise explanation of relevance of these prior art is incorporated in the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3). Nonetheless, an English language abstract of each of these prior art A and B is attached to the copy thereof.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the prosecution.

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